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DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES. THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Saturday, August 6, the day—The American Ballot System to be used for the First Time in New Mexico.

Persuaded to call by the chairman, The Democratic Executive Committee held a meeting at the court house in Eddy N. M., on Thursday June 4th 1896. The following members were present: S. T. Bitting, Chairman; U. S. Bateman, precinct no. 1; J. H. Carpenter, precinct no. 2; Peter Conrad, precinct no. 4; O. W. Gowdy, precinct no. 8; Jas. Shaver, Committee-man from Badger precinct, was absent. The following business was transacted:

Whereas at a meeting of the Democrats of Eddy County in convention duly assembled and held in the town of on the 23rd day of May 1896, it was moved and unanimously carried that the Democratic party of Eddy County nominate a straight Democratic ticket for the coming election for all county offices for said county; and,

Whereas in pursuance to the instructions given, The Democratic Executive Committee of said county duly assembled in the town of Eddy on the 4th day of June 1896, for the purpose of carrying into effect the instructions given it by the Democracy of said county, whose servants this executive committee are, and;

Whereas it was moved and duly carried in said meeting that a primary election be held in the several precincts of said county on the 8th day of August 1896 at the several polling places therein for the purpose of nominating said ticket. Therefore the Democrats of said county of Eddy are hereby notified that on Saturday August 8th 1896 beginning at 9 o'clock A. M. and closing at 6 o'clock P. M. there will be a Democratic primary election held in the several precincts of said county as the following places to wit:

Precinct No. 1, at the Court House in Eddy.

Precinct No. 2, at the Town of Malaga.

Precinct No. 3, at the Becket School House.

Precinct No. 4, at The Seven Rivers general House.

Precinct No. 5, at the Half Circle 84 Ranch.

For the purpose of nominating one Democrat for each of the following offices to wit:

One Probate judge.

Three County Commissioners.

One Sheriff.

One Notary Clerk.

One Assessor.

One Treasurer.

One Superintendent of Public Schools.

One Surveyor.

One Coroner.

One Road Superintendent in each precinct.

The following rules shall govern said primary election to wit:

1st Said primary election shall be held on the 8th day of August 1896 in the several precincts.

2nd The polls shall be opened at each of the voting precincts at 9 o'clock A. M. and closed at 6 o'clock of the same day.

The executive committee-man of the several voting precincts shall be he who is hereby authorized to appoint in writing, five days before the date of holding the primary election, two judges to act with him as presiding judge and two clerks, all democrats and qualified electors.

In the event that neither of the three judges provided for above are present and refuse to act at the hour the polls should have been opened, then a majority of the qualified democratic electors present shall select a presiding judge, who shall appoint two judges and fill the vacancies for clerks.

In the event when either one or both of the two judges first appointed by the precinct committee-man shall be present at the hour of opening the polls and in the absence of the precinct committee-men, they together or either one of them in the other may fill the vacancies.

3rd. No one shall be allowed to vote unless he will have been a legal voter in the precinct in which he offers to vote on the day of general election. The qualification of a legal voter being: That he must be a citizen of the United States either by birth or final letters of naturalization, and over the age of 21 years, must have resided in the territory of New Mexico six months, in Eddy County three months, and in the precinct in which he offers to vote twenty days next preceding the general election to be held in November, 1896.

4th. Each qualified elector, in order to entitle him to a vote in the primary election must be a democrat. (Any man who heretofore has not been a democrat, may be such a democrat as named above, if he has in fact severed his connection with all other political parties and in good faith expects to permanently associate and affiliate with the Democratic party.)

5th. The judges of election shall have control of the voting and pass upon the right of all applicants to vote. Every one offering to vote shall be subject to challenge by any one whom the judges of election recognize as being a democrat and as being entitled to a voice in the election. If any one whose vote is challenged shall be rejected, his vote shall be passed in an envelop, sealed, and the applicant or some one at his request, shall write his name across the envelop and the envelop shall be marked "Rejected for the reason that the applicant (here state on such envelop the facts causing the rejection)" and all votes so rejected, filled and sealed up, shall be sent with the other papers to the chairman of the executive committee, and the executive committee on the day of its meeting to canvass returns and declare nominees, shall before opening any of such sealed ballots pass upon each individual's right to vote separately, and all those ballots finally rejected by such committee shall at once be destroyed in presence of the public, and all those envelopes containing ballots so finally determined by such committee to be legal shall be by such committee ordered presented to the public, the ballots removed therefrom in their folded condition, dropped in a hat or box then thoroughly shaken and canvassed in the usual way, thereby preserving the secrecy of such ballot.

6th. No one shall be allowed to vote outside his own precinct, except when he

shows to the satisfaction of the judges that it is impossible of impractical for him to be in his own precinct, for satisfactory reasons.

7th. At any time within five days previous to the time appointed for holding the primary election all candidates for office shall submit in writing, to the chairman of the democratic executive committee, which shall be kept on file by him, his declaration which shall in substance be that he submits his name to the decision of the democratic primaries and will support the nominees so made. In case any one shall fail to comply with this requirement, though he receive sufficient votes to become the nominee, he shall not be declared the nominee of the party, and his place shall be filled by the executive committee, always observing the next highest vote.

8th. The ballots used in the primary election shall be printed on plain white paper about three inches wide and about eight inches long, and the names of all the candidates, who have submitted their names in writing to the chairman of the executive committee as is provided for above, shall be placed upon each and every ballot and the chairman of the executive committee is hereby authorized and it shall be his duty to have delivered at the time of the opening of the polls to the proper officers holding the election all necessary tickets as above mentioned. Each voter at the time and place of voting must procure from the presiding judge of election a ticket as mentioned above, must then and there, in presence of officers of election, yet in private, make it out and privately vote it, and no voter shall be received unless the party voting it shall at the time and place of voting get the ballot from the officer, make it out and vote it as above provided, even if the voter does not care. The officer in charge of the ballots shall see that party voting does not take the ticket away from the voting place and that no one knows how the voter voted, provided; if a voter cannot make out his own ticket, he shall then request some judge or clerk acting to make it out in private for him at the place and time of voting and in such a way as its secrecy may not be known to any one except the voter and the party making it out for him. No voter can have his ticket made out for him unless he cannot make it out himself. The judges in charge shall make such reasonable rules as are necessary and proper to see that the true spirit of this section is carried out to the letter, and no ballot shall ever be received until the voter complies with the above requirements as to receiving his ticket, making out and voting the same.

9th. Each candidate shall have the right to select one man who shall have the right to be present to act with the judges and clerks of the election to see that his interests are properly treated.

10th. During the counting of the ballots in the respective precincts, it shall be the duty of all the judges and clerks of election to see that all names on the ballots are called correctly, and to see that the secrecy of the ballot is preserved.

11th. The candidates receiving a plurality of votes cast shall be declared as hereinafter provided to be the nominees of the Democratic party for the office for which he was a candidate.

12th. The officers holding the election in each voting precinct, shall keep in writing two separate lists of the names of the voters voting, also two tally sheets, showing the number of votes cast for each candidate and for what office. These shall be made out on the day of the election. One list of the voters and one tally sheet shall be returned by the officers conducting the election in the precinct and the other tally sheet and list and ballots shall be within five days after the election transmitted by mail, duly registered, to the chairman of the Democratic executive committee at Eddy N. M. or by person of the officer supervising the election. These two lists of the voters voting and two separate tally sheets shall be signed by the officer supervising the election at the voting place, and also the judges and clerks shall sign same, and they shall certify in their respective official capacities that the same is true and correct in case they are returned to person as above provided, the officers returning them on delivering them sealed up, certify that the package is in the same condition as it was when sealed on the day of the election, by the parties holding the election and that the same has not been out of his possession.

13th Within five days after holding the election, the executive committee shall meet in the town of Eddy N. M. a day and hour named by the chairman of the executive committee and count all the votes cast at the different voting places in the county, and declare the person receiving the highest number of votes for the different offices to be the nominee of the party for that office. In case of failure or refusal or inability of the chairman to set the time and perform the duties above given and imposed on him, then the majority of the said executive committee shall meet within five days after the expiration of the five days and count the votes and declare the nominees. In case any candidate shall contest his election, he shall give notice of such contest to all other candidates for that office before the time for sealing the ballots as above provided and the executive committee assembled as aforesaid shall pass on the contest and declare the nominees.

14th Each candidate for each office will be expected to pay, on or before the day of his election his pro rata share of all expenses, as found by the executive committee, for holding said primary election.

S. T. BITTING,
Chairman Dem. Executive Com. Eddy Co.

For Homeless Boys.

The Earnest Christian, weekly, 50 cents a year, Denver, Colorado, is devoted to the up-building of Brightside, a great industrial training school for homeless and neglected boys. There are 80,000 boy tramps in the United States and Brightside is the only school offering them a home, education and manual training. Will you help?

Notice of Foreclosure Sale.

Whereas, on the twentieth day of December, A. D. 1892, Charles Touchon, then unmarried male, executed and delivered unto The Pecos Irrigation and Improvement Company, his mortgage deed, conveying to said company the lands and property heretofore described as security for the payment of his fore-
maturity notes, for the aggregate sum of three thousand, thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents, with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, said notes being payable in nine annual installments of one hundred dollars each, payable in one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine years from December 1, 1892, which said mortgage was filed for record in the office of the probate clerk and recorder, records of the county of Eddy, in the territory of New Mexico, on the twenty-third day of December, A. D. 1892, and was recorded in book 2 of mortgages at page 93 of the records of Eddy County, New Mexico, and,

Whereas, the said mortgage contained a condition that the whole of said promissory note and interest thereon, should, at the election of said company, immediately become due and payable in case of failure to pay any part of said note or interest;

Whereas, the said mortgage contained a further condition that should default be made in the payment of any part of said note or interest thereon, when due, or if said company should be compelled to pay any tax due upon said lands, then said company might enter into said lands, and sell and dispose of the same, for the satisfaction of the indebtedness aforesaid, and giving notice of the time, terms and place of sale, and the property to be sold, by advertisement in some newspaper, published in said county, for four successive issues thereof; and should have power to adjourn said sale; or if the sale of said lands by said company might purchase, if its bid should be the highest;

Whereas, by reason of the default of said mortgage, said company has been compelled to pay taxes due upon said lands for the years 1893, 1894 and 1895, and having filed for record on the fourteenth day of March, 1893, at 11 o'clock a. m., and recorded in book 2 of mortgages at page 93 of the records of Eddy County, New Mexico, and,

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